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FOR AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS:PGOV, ETRD, TD

SUBJECT: STEEL PLANT FOR TRINIDAD

REF: PORT OF SPAIN 2501

1. EXIMBANK OFFICIAL IN TALKING WITH DEPTOFF ABOUT TRINIDAD STEEL PLANT LOAN, TOLD US THEIR MEETING ON AUG. 24 HAD DECIDED TO POSTPONE A DECISION FOR ABOUT A MONTH IN ORDER TO GIVE A NUMBER OF INTERESTED PARTIES A CHANCE TO PRESENT THEIR VIEWS. WE GATHER THESE VIEWS WILL BE FAVORABLE TO THE PROJECT. THE FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD, FOR EXAMPLE. IS COMPLETING AND WILL PROVIDE EXIM A STUDY WHICH CONCLUDES THAT THE TRINIDAD PRODUCTION WOULD NOT HAVE AN ADVERSE EFFECT ON U.S. PRODUCERS. MOREOVER, THE KORF CORPORATION, WHICH WOULD BE THE MAJOR PRODUCER OF SIMILAR PRODUCTS IN THE U.S. (AND WOULD OPERATE THE TRINIDAD PLANT) IS EXPECTED TO COME FORWARD WITH A FAVORABLE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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RECOMMENDATION. EXIMBANK OFFICIAL EXPECTED A DECISION BY EXIM DURING THE LAST WEEK OF SEPTEMBER.

2. FAVORABLE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THIS SORT, PARTICULARLY FROM KORF, WOULD OBVIOUSLY REDUCE EXIM'S POLITICAL EXPOSURE ON THE HILL AND AT LEAST ENABLE THEM TO PUT THE PROPOSAL TO THE CONGRESS AND HAVE IT CONSIDERED ON ITS ECONOMIC

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